Share of service sector in GDP

†2678. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

SHRI LAJPAT RAI :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that share of service sector in the Gross Domestic Product of the country has increased since the start of the decade of nineties till end;

(b) if so, the percentage of this contribution;

(c) whether it is also a fact that rate in employment opportunities in organised sector of the country has also increased;

(d) if so, the growth rate thereof; and

(e) what are the reasons for the difference between percentage of increase in gross domestic product *vis-a-vis* employment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The contribution of the services sector to GDP (at 1993-94 prices) increased from 40.6 per cent in 1990-91 to 48.1 per cent in 1999-2000.

(c) According to Employment Market Information System of Ministry of Labour, the employment in organised sector was 25.71 million on 31st March, 1988, 27.37 million on 31st March, 1994 and 28.11 million on 31st March, 1999.

(d) The rate of growth of employment in the organised sector works out to be 0.8 per cent per annum during the period 1988 to 1999.

(e) A very large proportion of jobs in the services sector is in the unorganised sector.

Financial package for Kerala

2679. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the competent authority has announced financial supports for Kerala in "Kumarakom Package" and financial aids in Global Investment Meet (GIM) within the last three years;

(b) if so, the details including the financial and other supports declared under "Kumarakom Package" and Global Investment Meet and the actual support given as on today, category-wise;

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(c) whether there is any delay in providing the above support; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) In pursuance with the Kumarakom Package, Minimum Support Price for copra for 2001 season was enhanced. Technology Mission for integrated development of Coconut has already been launched. Keeping in view the countinuing decline in prices of natural Rubber, Department of Commerce has already authorized State Trading Corporation to purchase on indent basis Natural Rubber to the extent of 20,000 tonnes to be supplied to Advance Licence Holders. For encouraging international flights from Cochin Airport, Air India has increased its weekly flights to 26 over the last three years to most of the destinations in the Gulf area. In addition, Air India also provides Hub and Spoke connections from Mumbai to Cochin in order to provide seamless connections to various cities in the USA, UK and Europe. Action has already been initiated to set up Container transshipment Terminal at Vallarpadam in Cochin port. The Railways have taken up doubling of a 17.37 Kms. long section between Ernakulam and Mulunturutti. For development of tourism in Kerala, Department of Tourism has already sanctioned 4 projects for Rs. 2.61 crore. Besides, Planning Commission had sanctioned an additional Central assistance of Rs.1.00 crore for preparation of project for development of tourism in Kerala, out of which Rs. 50.00 lakhs had been released. Ministry of Information and Technology has developed Software Technology Park at Thiruvananthapuram which provides comprehensive services to companies engaged in software development and exports. In the global Investor meet organized by the Government of Kerala at Kochi on 18th and 19th January, 2003, the Prime Minister announced Central Investment of over Rs. 10,000 crore in projects of PSUs like the capacity expansion of NTPC's power station at Kayamkulam, upgradation of Bharat Petroleum Corporation's Kochi Refinery and mineral exploration jointly by NMDC and Indian Rare Earths Ltd. which are under implementation.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.